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KWANGSI PROVINCIAL COUNCIL MEETS,
ESTABLISHES NEW ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISIONS

KWANGSI DECIDES 1950 PROGRAM -- Nan-fang Jih-pao, 20 May 50

Nan-ning -- The first council meeting of the Kwangsi Provincial People's government, held in Nan-ning from 9 to 14 May 1950, heard reports by Chairman Chang Yun-i (1) /numbers refer to appended characters/ on the 1950 program for Kwangsi Province, by Deputy Chairman Ch'en Man-yuan (2) on Kwangsi government activities for the last 5 months, and by Li T'ien-yu (3), deputy commander of the People's Liberation Army in Kwangsi Military District, on antibandit and military activities of the People's Liberation Army.

The meeting also passed organizational regulations for the provincial government, laws to enforce reductions in rent and interest, and the 1950 budget for the provincial government. It approved officials appointed to various governmental agencies, and decided to hold an all-province, all-circles conference in August.

SUMMARIZES CH'EN'S REPORT -- Nan-fang Jih-pao, 20 May 50

Nan-ning -- Deputy Chairman Ch'en Man-yuan gave the following report at the first council meeting of the Kwangsi Provincial People's government:

After the liberation of Kwangsi, revolutionary order was first restored in Kuei-lin, Liu-chou, Wu-chou, and Nan-ning, and later in rural areas. In a little over a month, take-over activities were completed, governments of all levels were established under the new order, and the province was divided into ten special administrative districts, four municipalities, and 99 hsien.

In regard to the campaign against bandits and KMT reactionaries, more than 50,000 bandits and KMT special agents were rounded up or annihilated in the past 5 months. There are still a small number of enemy remnants hiding in scattered areas. Among them are units under Commanders Chou Tsu-huang (4), Chang Kuang-wei (5), and Mo Shu-chieh (6), respectively, of the North Kwangsi, Yunnan-Kwangsi-Kweichow, and West Kwangsi military and political districts of the KMT

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puppet government. In some areas, enemy special agents talked local landlords and bandits into stirring up the local populace to revolt against our cadres. All these activities, however, have been suppressed.

"In the field of tax collection, our cadres at first encountered difficulties in requisitioning the grain tax. The grain to "support-the-front-line-units" also was difficult to collect because of the small number of landlords, and because bandits urged farmers to resist grain payment. However, our cadres have, in the past 5 months, succeeded in collecting one half the quota designated.

"In regard to business, immediately after liberation some businessmen raised commodity prices to make exorbitant profits. This condition resulted in a threefold jump in commodity prices between December 1949 and the end of February 1950 in Kuei-lin, Liu-chou, and Nan-ning. The inflation temporarily affected the economic condition of the province. Since March 1950, however, prices have been stabilized.

"After the circulation of silver yuan and Hong Kong currency was suspended, many people at first did not have confidence in the Jen-min P'iao and transacted business by bartering. Now, however, the Jen-min P'iao is being used by everyone with confidence.

"In other fields, constructive steps were taken to restore and develop industries, mines, communications, and transportation. More than 75 percent of the bond drive is completed; rural reforms, production for relief, and auxiliary occupation programs have been started. More than 1,000 cadres were trained at the branch school of the Kwangsi People's Revolutionary University."

ESTABLISHES DISTRICTS, MUNICIPALITIES -- Nan-fang Jih-pao, 20 May 50

Nan-ning -- The first council meeting of the Kwangsi Provincial People's government decided to divide Kwangsi Province as follows:

Ten Special Administrative Districts -- Kuei-lin, Liu-chou, P'ing-lo, Wu-chou, Wu-ming, I-shan, Lung-chou, Pai-se, Nan-ning, and Yu-lin.

Four Municipalities -- Nan-ning, Kuei-lin, Wu-chou, and Liu-chou.

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4. 周祖晃
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